

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Gringer et al.

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TITLE : UTILITY KNIFE WITH QUICK RELEASE HOUSING

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment and Response to Office Action is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 1, 2003 and mailed June 4, 2003. Applicant requests that the Examiner reconsider the application as amended herein.

In the claims:

Kindly amend claims 1, 6, 7, 8, 13 and 14 and add new claims 15-19 as shown in the Claim Amendments section beginning at page 2 of this amendment.

Remarks:

A Remarks section appears on page 6 of this amendment.

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